## **Amendments**

Please amend the application as follows:

## In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2, with the following paragraph:

The present application claims the benefit of provisional application 60/037,080, filed February 3, 1997, which is herein incorporated by reference.

## In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 43 and 78.

Please replace pending claims 44-48, 50-51, 53, 57-59, 71-72, and 76-77 with the following claims 44-48, 50-51, 53, 57-59, 71-72, and 76-77:

44. (Once amended) An isolated polynucleotide consisting of at least 100 contiguous nucleotides of the coding region of SEQ ID NO:1 or the complement thereof.

45. (Once amended) The isolated polynucleotide of claim 44, consisting of at least 250 contiguous nucleotides of the coding region of SEQ ID NO:1 or the complement thereof.

3046. (Once amended) The isolated polynucleotide of claim 44, which is DNA.

3\\\ \dagger{1}. (Once amended) The isolated polynucleotide of claim \( \frac{4}{2} \), which is RNA.

n.2. 48. (Once amended) The polynucleotide of claim 44, linked to a heterologous polynucleotide.